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PRESIDENT-ELECT'S PAGE

We shall soon have finished another year of history for the Mahoning County Medical Society.

As president-elect, I have carried on to the best of my ability, but, always with an inner feeling that I was not doing enough and that were your president, Dr. W. H. Evans with you, how much more proficient the Society would have been run. It is unfortunate that I was deprived of the executive training which I would have received if "Bill" were here rather than in the armed forces. However, with the able assistance of willing and efficient committeemen, we have been able to maintain most of the routine programs. For this I wish to thank each committeeman and each member of the Society.

All of the committees have had important duties to perform. Lack of space does not permit me to comment on all of them.

My compliments to Dr. W. H. Bunn and his Committee. Although this committee was always under tension due to shifting circumstances, they brought us a brilliant array of medical talent.

Of no less importance was the editing of the Bulletin. While publications have been suspended for the duration by many county societies, our Bulletin, under the Editorship of Dr. C. B. Norris and with efficient service and co-operation of our Executive Secretary, Mary Herald, continues to give messages of education and learning, also items of personal interest which must be a source of joy and comfort to our colleagues in the armed forces. May they all be present at assembly here in the near future.

The Economics Committee, Dr. W. M. Skipp, chairman, and Sub-Committees have been busy. New medical plans are being formulated which we hope will be in operation soon.

The Council of the Society has always been interested in all problems that were for our general welfare. No amount of appreciation can repay them for their assistance.

I thank you all for your valuable aid and solicit your whole-hearted support for the coming year.

May I sincerely wish each member of the Society a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ELMER H. NAGEL, M. D.
President-Elect.

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Editorials--**Christmas Promises**

To us—

"If we sow in righteousness, we shall reap in mercy." That Holy assurance will comfort us some day.

To Hitler and Tojo—

"Ye plow wickedness, ye reap iniquity; ye eat the fruit of lies, therefore a tumult shall arise among thy people and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled." That Holy assurance will leave you wretched. You can't forget!

Herod, the slaughterer of the Innocents, gave his name as a synonym for cruelty, and so it has remained for ages. But Herod was "small time" compared with Hitler and Tojo.

It is difficult to think in the spirit of Our Master in these hideous days. Before we shall be able to pray for our enemies in the way Jesus would have us do a prerequisite we must meet,—we must pray for ourselves.

Lt. Commdr. B. K. Rust

Lt. Commander Dr. B. K. Rust, stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, came to us on November 16th, replacing Dr. McGuigan, who was unable to be with us. Dr. Rust discussed "War Casualties."

Disease influences wars more than enemy attacks, Dr. Rust told us. The most important of the diseases in the South Pacific is Malaria. Quinine is no specific against it,—indeed, there

is no specific. Fortunately the type encountered in the area where Dr. Rust was stationed was benign tertian, which is not of high mortality.

Epidemic Hepatitis is fairly frequent, goes in epidemics, and of unknown cause. Many cases are mild. Dysentery, as always, is a problem with troops on active campaigns. Filariasis is limited to a small area, is mosquito-borne, the white man, contrary to former ideas, is quite susceptible. Skin irritants and infections are frequent and disabling. Pneumonias and psychoneuroses are well-handled.

In surgery, great progress is shown in this compared with previous wars, resulting in vastly decreased infections, amputations and low mortality.

Dr. Rust told of several incidents of his experience on the fighting front. These in addition to being most interesting, sometimes very amusing, showed also that we have perfect "Hellers" in those Japs. We know now that we have some considerable chore ahead of us. But we learned from this address that to handle the situation drastic measures afford us our only safety,—and give us at times considerable pleasure.

Dr. Rust's address will be printed in full in an early issue of the Bulletin. The society was intensely delighted with him.

Orchids to Mrs. DeCicco

News items throughout the year have been furnished by Mrs. G. E. DeCicco. Mrs. DeCicco has never had to be reminded of the personals due on the 25th, they are always forthcoming.

C.B.N.

Thanks for Your Gift

We haven't received any gift . . . you say? Oh, yes, we have . . . we and countless thousands of others . . . everyone who suffers physical pain and torture . . . and the loved ones who suffer with them . . . all are indebted to you . . . in these trying wartime days . . . for the contribution you are making in the reclamation of lives and the alleviation of human suffering. So . . . to the medical profession . . . its doctors . . . its surgeons . . . its nurses and aides . . . those serving on the war fronts and those serving at home . . . we humbly say "thanks" . . . thanks for your gift of knowledge, your skill and your untiring energy. May your Christmas be blessed . . . in turn . . . with the happiness that comes from the joy of service.

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Relatively Recent Contributions to Clinical Endocrinology

(An abstract of an address to the Society, Oct. 12, 1943)

By EDMUND E. BEARD, M. D.

The design of these rather wandering remarks, so far as they have any organization, is to touch upon a few practical points in clinical endocrinology, some of which are new enough, or so little stressed, as not yet to be matters of general knowledge. Endocrinology has been moving rapidly, and new methods of diagnosis and treatment in the field of each of the ductless glands and the description of new syndromes in the cases of some of them have appeared recently enough to make them matters of interest to the clinician.

The thyroid. A case of cretinism will serve as background for some of these points. The case, a girl of sixteen, was typical, though the diagnosis had been missed by a number of physicians. Cretinism, like myxedema, is one of the easiest diagnoses to make, if only it is kept in mind. Evidence has been accumulating to show that the roentgenologic assay of bone age in youngsters and the estimation of blood cholesterol level are of great help in diagnosis and management of hypothyroidism. These facts this case shows well. Her bone age was 5-6 years at beginning of specific therapy; within one year it had increased to 10 years; in three years it had reached 14 years. Coincidently her blood cholesterol level dropped rapidly from a high of 458 mg. per 100 c.c. to a normal level of about 200 mg. per 100 c.c.

Other changes, especially in rate of growth, were marked. In true hypothyroidism very great effects are produced by very small doses of thyroid. Great loss of weight is not one of them, for obesity does not result from hypothyroidism. This cretin's tragedy might have been avoided if some of her medical advisers had thought of cretinism as a possible di-

agnosis and had tried the simple diagnostic test of giving a little thyroid for a few months of careful observation.

In the last two years there has been a great deal of investigation of the effect upon the thyroid of certain drugs. As the result of these studies two drugs, thiourea and thiouracil, have been used in the treatment of human hyperthyroidism. Results are dramatic. Previous treatment with iodine renders the cases resistant to the action of the drugs, but in non iodine-treated cases the B. M. R. falls, blood cholesterol rises, weight increases, in short, all evidences of hyperthyroidism are abolished. To maintain the patient small doses of the drug must be continued, for what length of time no one yet knows.

In one of the cases we treated with thiourea the patient was operated on when the B. M. R. had reached normal. He withstood the procedure extraordinarily well. The surgeons discovered a small, soft, friable organ which bled very readily. Section of the surgical specimen showed a very hyperplastic, almost colloid-free gland, quite similar to the glands of animals treated with these drugs. Among the twelve cases reported in the literature is one which developed agranulocytosis. We have seen nausea, vomiting, fever, skin eruption and lymph node enlargements in patients in our series. There remains much to be learned about the proper use of these new aids, but there is little doubt that they are of the highest importance and that they will markedly change our methods of treating hyperthyroidism.

Within the last two years three new endocrinological syndromes have been described. Knowledge of a new syndrome can save a man a great deal of time and labor if he has the

good fortune to come across an example of it.

Fuller Albright and co-workers described a condition to which they referred as, "Syndrome Characterized by Gynecomastia, Aspermatogenesis without A-Leydigism, and Increased Excretion of Follicle-Stimulating Hormone." In this the outstanding features are gynecomastia appearing first at puberty or in adolescence and small testes producing no spermatozoa. Since Leydig cells are present androgen is produced, in nearly normal amounts, and height, statural proportions, hirsutism, voice, genital development (except for small testes), and potency are normal male. There are no normal spermatogenic structures and so no sperm are produced, nor any of the second testicular hormone, the so-called hormone X or inhibin. Albright explains the gynecomastia as the result of the action of androgen upon the breast unopposed by hormone X. For such people no therapy can as yet be offered.

Albright and co-workers (2) also described three patients suffering from chronic hypoparathyroidism who failed entirely to respond to parathyroid hormone, though they did respond to dihydrotachysterol. Albright found at biopsy that the parathyroid glands of these people are normal. He gave this paradoxical condition the name of "pseudohypoparathyroidism." Two of his cases and two others as yet unpublished showed a peculiar lack of the usual length relationship of the metacarpals, so that one or two fingers extended beyond all others of the same hand.

Varney, Kenyon & Koch and later Albright and his group gathered examples of abnormal ovarian function into an entity which has been called, "primary hypoovarianism with short stature." Examples of this syndrome never attain normal height, though they are not dwarfs, have infantile

uteri and external genitalia, no mammary development, and scanty axillary and pubic hair (a distinguishing feature, since hypopituitarians with secondary failure of ovarian function have no such hair.) They show a tendency to early degenerative changes. (Heberden's nodes in the thirties) and to autonomic nervous instability.

Urine assay shows no estrogen and abnormally large amounts of pituitary gonadotrope. For such patients one can offer real help with cyclic estrogen therapy.

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The regular monthly Council meeting of the Society was held at the office of the Secretary on the 8th of November.

The regular monthly meeting of the Society was held at the Youngstown Club on the 16th of the month. Lt. Comdr. B. K. Rust, USNR, spoke on "Modern Treatment of Battle Casualties." Dr. Rust was well qualified to speak on such a timely subject, having just returned from thirteen months duty in Auckland, New Zealand.

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Unless objection in writing to any of these applications is filed with the Secretary within 15 days, they will become members.

G. M. McKelvey, M. D.
Secretary.

December

RED CROSS SERVICES TO THE ARMED FORCES

Mahoning Chapter Explains Position on Medical Requests

Mahoning Chapter of the American Red Cross asks the cooperation of the doctors in the community in the phase of its work dealing with verification of serious illness in the homes of servicemen and reporting the facts to the military. Because many doctors are reluctant to project an opinion regarding the necessity for an emergency furlough in the case of illness in a serviceman's family, when such information is requested by the Red Cross, it is vitally necessary to explain why and where such requests originate.

The Chapter has been variously criticized for "bothering" over-burdened doctors with these requests for verification, "placing the doctor in the middle" by requesting his recommendation as to the necessity for an emergency furlough, and for "bringing servicemen home on unnecessary furloughs." The following explanation may serve to remove these criticisms.

The military authorities, realizing that a worried soldier is a poor soldier, are willing, whenever possible, to grant an emergency furlough to enable the serviceman to go to the bedside of a member of his immediate family who is critically ill. Obviously, however, there must be some standard for deciding on the merit of these cases. The military has placed the responsibility on the Red Cross for obtaining medical information from the doctor, together with the doctor's recommendation as to whether the serviceman's presence is necessary. The Red Cross acts only as the medium of communication to transmit this information to the military. The *military*, not the Red Cross, *originates* all requests for medical verification. The Red Cross makes no recommendation of its own for or against a furlough or furlough

extension. The military depends entirely upon the integrity and judgment of the doctor and only the doctor's recommendation is honored by the military in making its decision whether or not to grant a furlough.

The military has stressed the importance of quick action in these cases. The request for verification comes to the Chapter by wire or long distance telephone, emphasizing the urgency of an immediate reply. Delay on the part of the Chapter or the doctor may mean hours of anxious waiting by the serviceman whose emergency furlough is held up pending receipt of the doctor's recommendation.

This requirement by the military of Red Cross verification of illness in the homes of servicemen is nationwide. It is not, as some doctors have misunderstood it to be, an idea promulgated by Mahoning Chapter.

Capt. Tingwald Twice Honored

Report comes that Captain Frederick Tingwald, one of our members, formerly an Intern at Youngstown Hospital and Associated with Dr. G. B. Kramer in Pathology, has received the Purple Heart and, also, the Silver Star. The Purple Heart was awarded to Captain Tingwald for wounds received in the African campaign and the Silver Star for gallantry in Action in Sicily.

Captain Tingwald was with the first landing in Africa on November 8, 1942. He was wounded in February of this year.

We fellow members of the Mahoning County Medical Society congratulate "Ting,"—and we are fairly bursting with pride at his brave record!



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 Lt. Walter B. Webb, (Address Wanted)

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 Maj. Geo. L. Armbrecht, M.C., (0357508) Med. Det. 8th Inf., 4th Div. U. S. Army, A.P.O. 4, Camp Gordon, Johnston, Florida.
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Ursula Burke	Margaret M. Hogan	Teresa Schlecht
Betty Lou Butler	Catherine Holway	Anna Sullivan
Eleanor Cassidy	Mary L. Kelley	Susan Vanish
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Mildred Clarke	Helen Kral	Irene Vassey
Catherine Crogan	Mary Lubonovic	Ann Walko
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ANNUAL MEETING

On Tuesday evening, December 21st, the Society will hold its Annual Meeting. Democracy will function. Every "Active" member in good standing, which includes all members of that classification, will have equal right and equal responsibility. The responsibility is as important as the right.

This is the time when all the business of the Society comes up for review, and when members will be elected to certain offices. Here is the regular list:

OFFICE	TENURE	INCUMBENT	
President-elect	1 year	Elmer H. Nagel	Becomes President
Secretary	1 "	Geo. M. McKelvey	Term Expires
Treasurer	1 "	Saul Tamarkin	" "
State Delegate	3 "	Edw. J. Reilly	" "
Alternate Delegates	1 "	James B. Birch P. J. McOwen P. J. Fuzy	" "
Society Representative on Asso. Hospitals Board	1 "	H. E. Patrick	" "

The following are hold-overs:

OFFICE	INCUMBENT	
Censor	O. J. Walker	Term Expires Dec., 1944
State Delegates	John N. McCann	Term Expires Dec., 1944
	Wm. M. Skipp	Term Expires Dec., 1945

NOTE — IMPORTANT

Section 3, Chapter 4, of our By-Laws, (See Page 19 of printed booklet) provides that the Council shall fill certain vacancies for their unexpired terms. Your Council, after careful consideration, feels that such vacancies, if the unexpired portion of the terms extend as much as one year beyond an Annual Meeting, it is the Council's duty to request the Society to nominate, by the regular methods of election, some member to fill any vacancy and the Council will comply with the Society's wishes.

Such a policy if followed by the Council in good faith will maintain the spirit of democracy.

Accordingly, the Council having found the following two offices *de facto* vacant, requests the Society to nominate two members to be appointed by the Council to fill said vacancies for their unexpired terms:

OFFICE	PREVIOUS INCUMBENT	TERM EXPIRES
Censors	{ Walter King Stewart Wm. H. Evans	Dec., 1945 Dec., 1946

Only Active Members who are Past Presidents are eligible to serve as Censors. Past Presidents who are absent, deceased, continuing to hold office, and Honorary Members are omitted as ineligible. Those eligible are the following:

C. D. Hauser	J. M. Ranz	F. W. McNamara	R. W. Fenton
W. D. Coy	J. L. Lewis	W. H. Bennett	P. J. Fuzy
H. E. Patrick	W. K. Allsop	J. P. Harvey	C. B. Norris
C. R. Clark	A. E. Brant	L. G. Coe	R. B. Poling

(In event either Dr. Stewart or Dr. Evans returns before his term expires, Council expresses the hope that the member selected for the unexpired term will resign. The Council will then reappoint the one whose office had been filled as above.)

January Meeting

Speaker:—

DR. W. W. G. MACLACHLIN

Professor of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh

Subject:—

"PNEUMONIA"

February Meeting

Speaker:—

DR. EMIL NOVAK

Johns-Hopkins University

COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1943

Medical Dept., Relief Office—Beginning December 1, 1942—Ending November 30, 1943

MEDICAL

Total number of calls issued	2,533
Number of house calls	641
Number of office calls	1,892
Medical expense only	\$6,067.00

DENTAL

Number of dental patients	87
Dental expense	406.00

DRUGS

Total number of prescriptions	2,716
Drug expense	3,234.77

TONSILS

Total number of tonsil operations	3
Tonsil operation expense	57.00

OBSTETRICAL CARE

Total number of patients	6
Total obstetrical expense	120.00

VENEREAL TREATMENT

Total number of Venereal treatments	586
Total venereal expense	1,205.00

FEE CASES

Total number of fee cases	3
Fee case expense	74.00

X-RAY

Total number of X-rays taken	10
X-ray expense	92.00

GRAND TOTAL MEDICAL EXPENSE \$9,707.77

L. H. GETTY, Chairman.

SECRETARY

The year 1943 has brought many changes to our Society. There are enlisted in the Service 72 members, many of these serving abroad.

At home we have been afforded unusually good programs. During the year speakers gave generously of their time and energy, thus keeping our Scientific Programs up to our usual high standard.

Council held nine regular monthly meetings.

To our membership rolls we have added seven new active members.

We have lost during the year by death Drs. John W. Shaffer, died December 3, 1942; Joseph Francis Nagle, died June 13, 1943, and Edward Clifton Rinehart, died August 29, 1943. We miss them and wish to acknowledge their memories in this survey of the year.

December

The entertainment for the year was somewhat curtailed due to conditions and many of our members being absent.

One committee that has been very active during the year is the Committee on Medical Service Plans, Dr. P. J. Mahar, Chairman. Much time has been spent in securing information and data that will prove valuable.

There is still much work to be done and many problems to be solved, which makes our Society worthwhile.

G. M. McKELVEY, Secretary.

TREASURER

Inserted in this issue of the Bulletin is a financial report which is self explanatory.

SAUL TAMARKIN, Treasurer.

PROGRAM

As program Chairman up to the end of 1943, I am pleased to submit the following report for the year:

January—J. Huber Wagner, M. D., spoke on "Some Phases of Traumatic Surgery." Dr. Wagner was graduated from the University of Pittsburgh, School of Medicine, in 1914. He is Chief Surgeon of the Pittsburgh District of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation, the H. C. Frick Coke Company, the National Mining Company, Pittsburgh Limestone Corporation and Bessemer & Lake Erie R. R.

February—David E. Jones, M. D., spoke on "Physical Medicine in General Practice." Dr. Jones is Director of Physical Medicine, Ohio State University, and is well qualified to speak on this subject.

March—J. L. Reycraft, M. D., spoke on "Modern Method of Diagnosis and Treatment of Sterility." Dr. Reycraft is Associate Clinical Professor of Gynecology, Western Reserve School of Medicine, Cleveland, Ohio.

April—A. J. Beams, M. D., Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine, School of Medicine, Western Reserve University, and Miss Aileen Merwin, Instructor, School of Dietetics, Western Reserve University, presented "The Dietary Treatment of Certain Diseases," and a practical demonstration.

May—H. M. Marvin, M. D., spoke on "Some Practical Aspects of Diagnosis and Treatment in Heart Disease." Dr. Marvin is Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine at Yale University and Executive Secretary of the American Heart Association.

June—George M. Curtis, M. D., spoke on "Concerning the Nature of Blast Injuries." Dr. Curtis is Chairman, Department of Research Surgery, School of Medicine, Ohio State University.

September—John P. Tucker, M. D., spoke on "Penicillin and Modern Bacteriostatic Agents." Dr. Tucker is Associate in Medicine, Cleveland Clinic.

October—E. E. Baird, M. D., spoke on "Clinical Applications of Modern Endocrinology." Dr. Baird is Endocrinologist at the Cleveland City Hospital and, also, at St. Luke's, Cleveland. Dr. Baird came to us on less than 24 hours notice, pinch-hitting for Dr. J. W. Wilce.

November—Byron K. Rust, M. D., Lt. Comdr. Great Lakes Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill. Dr. Rust spoke on "Modern Treatment of Battle Casualties."

In review, it is somewhat surprising to find that we have been able to uphold the Society's tradition of the highest quality speakers. Under these trying times it has been difficult to search out the men who could break away from their teaching duties. We doubly appreciate their sacrifices.

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FROM OUR DOCTORS IN THE SERVICE

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 8, 1943

Dear Doctor Norris:

Since being transferred here I haven't been receiving the Bulletin. Would you please check the mailing list and see that my new address is on it?

I received word last week that I had been promoted to Major, which news I enjoyed very much.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Asher Randall.

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November 1, 1943

Dear Claude:

Just a note to tell you how much I have appreciated receiving the Bulletin. After fourteen months in the Islands, am back in civilization again. The new address is USN Base Hospital No. 4, Navy 133, Fleet P.O., San Francisco. Al Cukerbaum is here so have had some pretty fair bull sessions. Bill Evans was here not long ago—have seen Bill off and on since he came out to this area.

Seems strange to be walking on pavement again after a year of mud up to your—well armpits would be a little too far and censorship prevents a more accurate measure. Don't know how long I will be here but received word I would be doing Plastic Surgery and will take a course in the same when I get back to the States.

Stan Myers.

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Martinsburg, W. Va., Nov. 1, 1943.

Dear Miss Herald:

For some time I have been receiving the Bulletin and reading with great interest the letters from the doctors in the service. I have appreciated it and want to thank the Medical Society for sending the Bulletin to me.

I feel I am luckier than many of my medical colleagues in the armed service, for I was directly placed in work I had been doing in civilian life. My assignment for the first three months was at the Army Medical Museum. This was an unusual opportunity. Actually, the Army Medical Museum is the largest depository of pathological material in the world. All necropsy and much of the surgical pathology from the various army hospitals in this country and elsewhere is reviewed, indexed and stored there. The possibilities for research and study are tremendous, but the staff has little time for that at present.

From the A.M.M. I came to the new Newton D. Baker General Hospital, Martinsburg, W. Va. Here I have been assigned to the Laboratory, where I shall be doing both gross and clinical pathology.

My associations, both at the A.M.M. and at the present post have been pleasant ones. Many of the problems are similar to those in civilian hospitals and their solution as in civil life depends on the cooperation of the staff.

While in Washington I tried to locate Captain Joseph Colla. My failure to find him is well explained in his letter of September 13th to the Bulletin. Also, in the same number of the Bulletin I read that John Noll, Jr., is at a new post. I visited Major Noll at his station hospital in Chicago the first part of June and in the typical Noll manner he was doing excellent work.

In looking over the Honor Roll, I feel quite proud to be included therein. However, I, too, feel that there should be another Honor Roll for those who are carrying on back home.

Sincerely,

Clara Raven, Capt. M. C.

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Thanks, Major Kent

Oct. 26th, 1943

Dear Miss Herald:

From somewhere in England—I wrote you sometime ago about my change of address but I believe receiving the Bulletin warrants acknowledgment thereof for that is one way of keeping them coming. I want to thank you sincerely for the copies of your excellent Bulletin; they read just like old-home-week, besides being most instructive. The doctors at home are tackling their difficult tasks with the vim and conscientious effort which has always been characteristic of them.

We had a fine trip across and are now quite enjoying the life in this fine old country—so rich in historical treasures. The English people have treated us well. We are glad to be this much nearer to our goal—the time when we shall do our part to bring an end to this present fearful conflict.

I shall look forward eagerly to the continued receipt of the Bulletin at the above address. It is much appreciated.

Best wishes to all,

Major Louis R. Kent.

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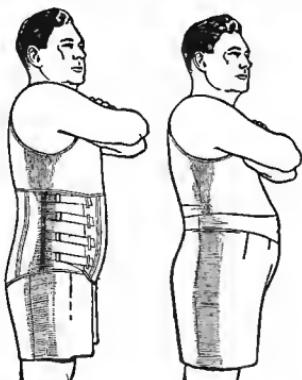
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December

Capt. (Paul) Kaufman's Greetings:

With Cordial Greetings and Sincere Wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happiness in the New Year.

Somewhere in N. Africa,

Paul M. Kaufman.

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Sorry About Bulletin, Captain!

November 1, 1943

Dear Miss Herald:

It has been quite a long time since I last wrote to you about my activities. I am no longer in Australia but censorship regulations do not permit my telling you my whereabouts. When I first arrived here we were allowed to tell so Mrs. DeCicco can tell you more about that than I can. At present I am living in a cocoanut grove with my tent facing the ocean. The view from here is superb as I look across a bay and see the tall mountains in the background. When the moon is full and the tide at its highest the ocean comes to within one foot of my tent. The first time that I saw that happen I didn't know where the tide was going to stop and I had to sing "River stay away from my door" in order to keep the ocean out. More than that, for that was not enough, I had to build a levee out of logs and sand. Besides being a medical officer I have to be an engineer at times.

I haven't received any copies of the Medical Bulletin for two months now but that it is probably because of my change of address. Although you send them first class I am sure they are sent with the newspapers and parcel post. Even much of the air-mail comes from the states via ship. The V mail is the most rapid but recently the air-mail ser-

vise has improved some though at times it takes six weeks for an air-mail letter to get here.

I haven't been quite as fortunate as some of the other Youngstowners for I haven't ever ran across any physicians from home. I received a letter from Dr. Tims recently and he said that he had met my brother in England.

About the only tropical disease that I have seen are D_____ Malaria, _____ Itch and Diarrhea. Oddly the Malaria incidence is quite low because of the excellent prophylactic measures. There are squads that do nothing except drainage and spraying of mosquito breeding areas. As a suppressive measure we take _____ of Atabrine daily. At first it caused a little dizziness and gastric cramps but the condition soon left. We all get a slight yellow discoloration to our skin from it but because of the deep coat of tan it is hardly noticeable. Between taking salt tablets, Atabrine and Multi-vitamin tablets there is hardly room in our stomachs for meals. The young bride would find army cooking much to her liking over here. Practically everything that we eat comes in cans though recently we have had a little fresh beef. If any one asks me if I would like to have some corned-beef when I get home he is asking for trouble. For one month straight that is the only meat I ever saw. We have had bread only about four times since August 1.

Remember me to all my friends in the Medical Society. I hope that before the next year is over that I will be able to become an active member again. Give my regards to those at the Bureau, also.

Capt. G. E. DeCicco.

GREETINGS:**To All Our Friends In The Service**

The year 1943 will soon be history. From that standpoint it will go down in history with 1942 and all the years previous. From other standpoints it has been a memorable year. To you doctors of the Valley, will go a portion of the credit for having contributed to its memorability.

Christmas will soon be here—probably will have passed for some of you before this message is read. To all of you, wherever you are, we wish for you a speedy and safe return. May we also, in behalf of those that remain behind, extend our sincere thanks for the sacrifice you are making in helping to keep America, American.

J. L. PRICE

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SINCE LAST MONTH—

Of pleasing interest was the wedding of Dr. Laura Kronquist, intern at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, and Dr. Paul Mesaros, intern at North Side unit of Youngstown Hospital, which took place Saturday, November 13th, at St. Patrick's Church. Dr. Mesaros has a commission in the medical reserve corps and will be at North Side unit until he receives his call.

Miss Dorothy Irene Tribley and Dr. Stewart G. Patton, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. S. G. Patton, Canfield, were married on Monday, November 1, 1943. Mrs. Patton is a graduate of the Youngstown Hospital Training School.

Major J. E. L. Keyes, who is with the army medical corps at Bushnell General Hospital, Brigham, Utah, spent a short visit here recently.

Dr. R. B. Poling recently completed a post-graduate study of electrocardiograph diagnosis at the medical school of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Dr. E. E. Kirkwood attended the Southern Medical Association's 37th Annual Convention and also a conference of Southern Chapter of American College of Chest Surgeons being held at Cincinnati this week. Dr. Kirkwood served as a member of the program committee for the chest physicians division.

Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Rothrock spent a week end in Chicago as

guests of Dr. Rothrock's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rothrock.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen Altdoerffer have returned from a trip to Georgia.

Dr. and Mrs. Myron Owen and daughter, Josephine, spent a week end with Mrs. Owen's father, Dr. H. E. Patrick.

Dr. and Mrs. Armin Elsaesser spent a recent week-end in N. Y.

Promotions

Dr. Asher Randall has been promoted to Major at the Lexington Signal Depot, Kentucky.

Dr. B. I. Firestone has been promoted to Captain at Camp Rucker, Alabama.

WE HEAR—

That only a convict likes to be stopped in the middle of a sentence.

Announcement

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